(b) the details of the funds proposed to be released during the year 2002-2003?

THE MINISTER OF AGRO AND RURAL INDUSTRIES (SHRI KARIYA MUNDA): (a) An amount of Rs. 363.92 lakhs has been released to Uttar Pradesh for training and Entrepreneurial Development & Contingency during the year 2001-02 under the PMRY.

(b) An amount of Rs. 204.37 lakhs has been released to Uttar Pradesh for Training and Entrepreneurial Development and Contingency etc. during the year 2002-03 under the PMRY as on 13.11.2002. The State Government has a balance of Rs. 458.23 lakhs. The further release of funds for the year 2002-03 to Uttar Pradesh will depend upon the utilisation of previously released funds.

Investment ceiling for bulk drugs

1032. DR. T. SUBBARAMI REDDY: Will the Minister of SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES be pelased to state:

(a) whether Government have decided to raise the SSI investment ceiling for 13 bulk drugs and drug intermediates from Rs. 1 crore to Rs. 5 crores;

(b) if so, the details of the other products in the list that are being considered;

(c) whether Government had recently dereserved five drug intermediates from SSI sector;

(d) if so, the 13 products for which the investment ceiling is going to be raised; and

(e) to what extent this would improve the country's exporf market in these products?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES (SHRIMATI VASUNDHARA RAJE): (a) and (b) Government have tabled a draft order in the Rajya Sabha on 23.07.2002 seeking to raise the SSI investment ceiling from Rs. one crore to five crore in respect of ten products in the drugs and pharmaceuticals sector. In addition the list also includes 13 products in the stationary sector.

(c) Four drugs intermediates have been dereserved by the Government *vide* Notification S.O. 533(E) dated 20.05.2002.

(d) The list of ten products in the drugs & pharmaceuticals sector referred to above is enclosed as Statement (*See* below).

(e) The dereservation of four items and raising of investment ceiling in respect of ten items will help SSI units to enhance their competitiveness both in the domestic and export markets through facilitating technological upgradation and adoption of international quality standards.

Statement

List of products in the drugs and pharmaceuticals Sector

31060101	Para-amino phenol-Indl. Grade
310628	Pyrazolones
310650	Benzyl benzoate
310658	Niacinamide
313125	Paracetamol
31315801	Methyl parabens and sodium salt starting from para hydroxy benzoic acid
31315901	Ethyl parabens and sodium salt starting from para hydroxy benzoic acid
31319501	Propyl parabens and sodium salt starting from para hydroxy benzoic acid
3131960	Calcium gluconate
310126	Aluminium hydroxide gel

SSIs in Rajasthan

1033. DR. ABRAR AHMED:
SHRI SANTOSH BAGRODIA:

Will the Minister of SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

(a) the details and number of small scale industries in Rajasthan;